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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED  
UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**

Docket Number (Optional)

First named inventor: Richard Winchester

Application No.: 09/940,208

Art Unit: 3634

Filed: 08/27/2001

Examiner: Gregory Strimbu

Title: Construction Layout Stripping Having A Plurality Of Pairs Of Upright Thereon

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- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
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filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

**1. Petition fee**

☒ Small entity-fee \$ 665.00 (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ Other than small entity - fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR 1.17(m))

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- ☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.
- ☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for a small entity or \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

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Enclosures: ☒ Fee Payment

☒ Reply

☐ Terminal Disclaimer Form

☐ Additional sheets containing statements establishing unintentional delay

☒ Other: Correspondence with Examiner and Interview Summary

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<b>Interview Summary</b>	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/940,208	R. WINCHESTER	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Gregory J. Strimbu	3634	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) Gregory J. Strimbu. (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (2) Edward L. White. (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Interview: 02 March 2004.

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Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
 c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: None.

Identification of prior art discussed: None.

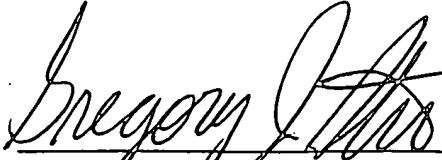
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Suggested the applicant file a petition to revive the application concurrent with a request for continued examination in order to continue the prosecution of the application. The applicant agreed to submit a response in accordance with Office practice.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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 Examiner's signature, if required

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March 5, 2004

Gregory J. Strimbu, Primary Examiner  
Art Unit 3634  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: Invention Name: CONSTRUCTION LAYOUT STRIPPING HAVING  
GRIPPING UPRIGHTS THEREON  
Application Number: 09/940,208  
Filing Date: 08/27/01

Dear Mr. Strimbu:

This letter follows on our telephone conversation of March 2, 2004. I appreciate you taking time to talk to me about the application. Per our conversation, I will shortly be filing a petition to revive my client's application, which was either unavoidably or unintentionally abandoned. Clearly, we did not intend to abandon the application, and we both agreed to that fact.

You indicated that upon the filing of a request for continued examination, you would expedite, to the extent you could, the handling of the file. You felt that based on the latest response, the application was in proper form for allowance. However, you might have to do a supplemental search as a part of the RCE. However, should the search reveal no new authority, which would undermine the patentability of my client's invention, your statements was that you felt the application was in proper form for allowance.

Therefore, I will shortly be filing a petition to revive the application and contemporaneously, a request for continued examination. I look forward to working with you once those matters are filed and finalized. Hopefully, we can long last put this matter to bed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Edward L. White".

Edward L. White  
*For the Firm*

ELW:jri

cc: Richard M. Winchester